

Existing law requires each public school that includes any of the grades kindergarten through six to provide at least 30 minutes each school day of quality moderate to vigorous physical activity for students. Requires each such school annually to report to its board on the compliance with existing law and further requires the school board annually to report to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) on such compliance.

New law makes the requirement for physical activity applicable to public school students in grades seven and eight. Additionally requires each local public school board to establish a school health advisory council to advise the board on physical activity for students and nutrition and health matters as specified in new law. Provides that council members shall be appointed by the school board and shall include parents and others from the community. Specifies that council members shall receive no compensation.

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(Amends R.S. 17:17.1(A)(1); Adds R.S. 17:17.1(D))